OFFICIAL

FEDERAL CITY PERFORMING ARTS ASSOCIATION. INC.
MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
10 AUG 1987
LEVINE SCHOOL OF MUSIC
7:30 P.M.

PRESENT:	ABSENT:	ALSO PRESENT:
Bohn	Cooper	Padgett
Bergstrom		Sisson
Brayton		Starner--Cooper proxy
Edens		
Herman		
Hunnicutt		
Lester		
McFarland		
Padgett		
Rettenmaier		
Rosendall		
Van Luyn		

CALL TO ORDER:

HERMAN — Called meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.
Moved agenda item #7 to #1 to facilitate full membership on the Board.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBER:

ROSENDALL — Expressed desire to work through nominees one-at-a-time.

HERMAN — Nominated PADGETT, and reviewed his qualifications for a Board seat.
Called for further nominations.

ROSENDALL — Moved to close nominations.
CARRIED.

PADGETT — Reviewed his joining GMCW/FCPAA.
Reviewed various board memberships which he has held.
Spoke of leadership / publicity / fund-raising / public relations.

ROSENDALL — PADGETT has agreed to work on press and media relations.

HERMAN — Thanked PADGETT for his interest and presentation, and excused him from the meeting.

HERMAN — Called for a vote.

BOARD — ELECTED PADGETT as its newest member, to fill the unexpired term of Harry POWERS.

CONTINUATION OF PRESIDENT'S NOTES:

HERMAN Reviewed the status of the "Our Time To Sing" film, the letter from the "Our Time To Sing" representatives, and the letter from GALA.

HERMAN Wrote to Mr. Hernandez (NYC-GMC) concerning GMCW housing members of the New York Chorus during the March on Washington.

HERMAN Reviewed memo to Levine School on rehearsals.
Will try to line up other places for the dates which are not available at Levine, and will check through GUERRANT on the availability of the University of Maryland.

HERMAN Discussed postponement of the approval of the last minutes.

LESTER Moved that approval of the minutes be postponed until the September meeting.
CARRIED.

HERMAN Added 2 items to the agenda: 1- Moving Board meetings to Sundays, and 2- Distribution of literature of other organizations, etc. at our concerts and rehearsals.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

BOHN Provided partial Treasurer's Report.
Major print-out will be available for the next meeting.

MUSIC DIVISION REPORT:

SISSON Repertoire Advisory Committee will meet on the 23rd.
Will meet with PFLAG representatives on the 29th.

HUNNICUTT When will Bruce [TRINKLEY] know about next June?

SISSON Bruce will be out of town through Thursday.

HERMAN Questioned "Alumni" singing in the Constitution Hall concert.

SISSON Singers should audition, join, etc.
Scheduling to people jeopardizes our music, concerts, ensemble, etc.

ROSENDALL It is appropriate to do chestnuts at these type events.

RETTENMAIER It is likely that more than one will want to do just special gigs.

VAN LUYN Understands not wanting to sit through entire rehearsals.

ROSENDALL Reviewed categories of membership.

SISSON Alumni `numbers' may be appropriate at another concert.

PADGETT We have to think of all our concerts.

SENSE OF THE BOARD: Performing at GMCW concerts and/or appearing with GMCW in concert is a privilege reserved for the membership of GMCW.

HERMAN We have received a nomination from the D.C. Commission on the Arts... for an award for artistic excellence. We are a finalist in that.
The ceremony/presentation will be on 21 SEP87, Duke Ellington School.

HERMAN A count of all our music is needed.

RETTENMAIER With support staff, that will be a first priority.

RETTENMAIER Will our present standards of excellence be maintained with the new auditions?

SISSON: We will maintain those standards.

PRODUCTION:

BRAYTON New York Avenue Presbyterian is booked for the dates we requested.
We have a letter of request with the pastor of National City Christian.
We are confirmed with Lisner Auditorium for spring.
The formality of an application with Lisner is yet to be completed.
We have a letter of request to Mr. WEST for UDC for June.
There will be a music and production meeting with PFLAG on 29AUG87.
A meeting is scheduled the end of August with Don NIEHUS.
A draft contract has been sent to Windy City Gay Men's Chorus.

BRAYTON Moved that the Executive Producer be given authority to sigh both the application and contract with Lisner Auditorium.
CARRIED.

BOHN Can we set up a schedule for next year--to include concerts and rehearsals?

McFARLAND Moved that the Executive Producer meet with Long Range Planning and report on scheduling by the October meeting.
CARRIED.

THE BUDGET:

BOHN Moved to approve the budget as it has been amended.
CARRIED.

RETTENMAIER Moved that the season ticket price be set at $35.00--i.e., giving a approximately 20% discount.
CARRIED.

BUSINESS:

BOHN Reviewed contracts, and the contract with Levine School.
Spoke of payment of fees; for July $550.00 was for the Director, $140.00 was for the Assistant, $140.00 was for the two Accompanists...on 1 10-month basis.

BOHN Protested that he was paying the Director and the Assistant Director without a contract.

ROSENDALL Who is in charge of the mailing list and its maintenance?
We need someone to take charge.
The current set-up is in the budget.

HERMAN Will contact FROMM.

MEMBERSHIP:

STARNER Ads for auditions are in the Post and the Blade.

BOHN The message on our telephone has been updated.

EDENS New member orientation will be planned.
We will do a member skills inventory.

RETTENMAIER Questioned name tags.

STARNER Membership will do them.

FUND RAISING:

HUNNICUTT Reviewed mugs and glasses with GMCW logo produced by Len PADGETT.

HUNNICUTT Reviewed status of GMCW Cook Book.
We need many more receipts...fast; main dish, brunch, and salads are most needed.
Submit all receipts to Bill HUNNICUTT or Jeff BUHRMAN.

HUNNICUTT Reviewed status of the Yard Sale.
Virginia and D.C. locations are planned.
Donations of all sorts of stuff are requested.

HUNNICUTT Midnight Blue was reviewed.
Looking for a 200- 250-seat house, with table seating, at which we can serve drinks.
A flyer on Midnight Blue will be available at auditions.
November auditions are planned; rehearsals start in January.
Individuals, ensembles will be featured; PF and FGM will probably perform.

BERGSTROM We do not have forms for the end-of-the-year report.

PR AND PUBLICATIONS:

ROSENDALL We now have a business reply mail permit.
Requested lists for the mailing of Chorus Call.
We will have ca. 300 tickets for the Constitution Hall Concert; 150 @ $25.00, and 150 @ $20.00.

LESTER What do we get for the work?

BRAYTON Tickets are selling well for LGBA.
We are looking at support of LGBA and at our commitment to our audience.

HERMAN This is no-risk; we have to get it in the mail, though.

HUNNICUTT Moved we go ahead with the plan as described.
CARRIED.

BERGSTROM Has found the Foundation Center; they provide free services and seminars on grantsmanship.

CAPITAL CLUB:

HERMAN Cap Club party is scheduled at SABACEK/HUNNICUTT home on 12SEP87.

GALA REPRESENTATIVE:
HERMAN TRINKLEY, SABACEK, and ROSENDALL will attend that GALA meeting in Vancouver.

COMMUNITY LIAISON:
NO REPORT.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY:
SISSON Reviewed the waiver in the Miami Chorus constitution. Proposed inclusion in our by-laws.

BRAYTON Moved to add the document to our by-laws, subject to review by legal counsel.

McFARLAND Would like to see this run by a D.C. lawyer.
HERMAN This will be a part of a packet for review and voting by membership.
STARNER Will this include ushers, etc?
HERMAN Only members.
VAN LUYN Does this include the Capital Club?

MOTION CARRIED.

ROSENDALL Moved to call a membership meeting to approve.
CARRIED.

CHANGE OF THE BOARD MEETING:
McFARLAND Would like to free-up the week day.
HERMAN It would be nice if TRINKLEY were available.
ROSENDALL Meetings need not always be at the same time.
BERGSTROM Setting a time limit for evening meetings is necessary.
VAN LUYN There will probably be better turn out during the week.

BOHN Moved to leave Board meetings as they are scheduled.
CARRIED.

LITERATURE AT CONCERTS:
BRAYTON We should check our 501C3 status.
We need a policy--what organizations...appropriate at what events.
VAN LUYN From a producer's standpoint, there is tremendous pressure.
LESTER Others are welcome to take an ad--and meet the deadlines.
STARNER The concert-goes does not want to be bothered.
RETTENMAIER Sidewalks may be used for such things...with proper permits.

HUNNICUTT Moved that be ban all distribution of literature by outside organizations at our concerts.

ROSENDALL We do not need a policy.
HERMAN There should be a rule; we can make exceptions.

MOTION CARRIED.

AIR CONDITIONING AND REMODELING:
BOHN Air conditioning and computer wiring will be ca. $175.00.

DUES:
BERGSTROM Questioned dues-paying.
HERMAN There are procedures for financial hardships.
The Executive Committee takes care of such matters.
SISSON We need to know the ensemble which we are building...and the status of the members.

ADJOURNMENT:
McFARLAND Moved that the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

W. F. RETTENMAIER, JR.
Secretary
W. Rettenmaier